

Art Unit: 2121

**DETAILED ACTION**

1. Claims 1-3 were cancelled.
2. Claims 4-30 were examined.

***Examiner's Amendment***

3 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

- Claim 8, line 3, the phrase -- of the -- was deleted.
- Claim 8, line 5, after "with", the article, "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 8, line 5, after "or", the article, "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 9, line 1, after "which", the article "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 9, line 3, after "to", the article "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 10, line 2, after "reduce", the article "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- SMC 6/18/07 • Claim 10, line 4, after "determination of", the article was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 10, line 4, after "reduction of", article "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 18, line, 1, after "which", the article -- the -- was deleted.
- Claim 23, line 3, the phrase -- of the -- was deleted.
- Claim 23, line 5, after "is" the article -- the -- was deleted.
- Claim 23, line 5, after "with", the article, "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 23, line 5, after "or", the article, "the" was changed to -- a -- .
- Claim 24, line 1, after "which", the article, "the" was changed to -- a -- .